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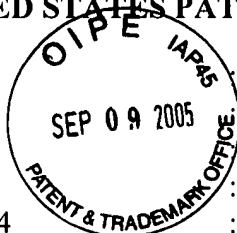
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In re Application of

Kazunori TANAKA, et al.

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For: BUFFERED OPTICAL FIBER, AND BUFFERED OPTICAL FIBER TERMINATED WITH CONNECTOR

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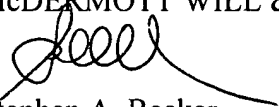
Sir:

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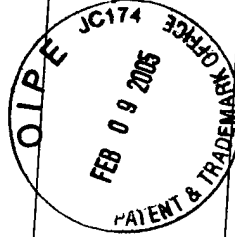
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Title: BUFFERED OPTICAL FIBER, AND BUFFERED OPTICAL FIBER TERMINATED WITH CONNECTOR			
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TITLE OF INVENTION

BUFFERED OPTICAL FIBER, AND BUFFERED OPTICAL FIBER TERMINATED WITH CONNECTOR

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☒ This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
4. ☒ The US has been elected (Article 31).
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
 - a. ☐ is attached herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. ☒ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)
6. ☒ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
 - a. ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - b. ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendment has NOT expired.
 - d. ☒ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ An English translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. ☒ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. ☐ An English translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Items 11. to 16. below concern other document(s) or information included:

11. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☒ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☒ A preliminary amendment.
14. ☐ An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.
15. ☐ A substitute specification.
16. ☐ A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
17. ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825.
18. ☐ A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
19. ☐ A second copy of the English translation of the International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
20. ☒ Other items or information.
 - 1) PCT Request
 - 2) International Search Report
 - 3) PCT/IB/304
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Basic National Stage Fee		\$300		\$300.00	
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All other situations		\$200			
23. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Search Fee					
Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(1)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority		\$100		\$400.00	
International Search Report prepared and provided to the Office		\$400			
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